

## Arizona Watershed Partnerships

Name of Partnership	Watershed Area	Primary Objectives	When and Where Meeting	Contact
<b>Bill Williams Watershed</b>				
Upper Bill Williams	The Upper Bill Williams watershed area is approximately defined by the Kirkland Creek watershed, 405 square mile drainage, which is tributary to the Santa Maria River.	Mission is to manage and protect the water resource, water quality, and water rights. Advocates local control over our water resources and land use. Objectives are: 1. Ensure that surface and ground water resources are maintained at the current balance, to support irrigation, ranching, and domestic uses, as well as maintain excellent waterfowl and wildlife habitat. 2. Disseminate information so that citizens are will informed of events and legislative activity that may impact them. 3. Cooperate with other rural watershed groups to influence favorable water legislation for rural areas.	Meet on an as needed basis.	Sondra Wilkening, secretary, Ph: 928-925-6434, <a href="mailto:westwindsinc@yahoo.com">westwindsinc@yahoo.com</a> ; Troy Suter, Ph: 928-442-3885
<b>Colorado - Grand Canyon Watershed and Colorado - Lower Gila Watershed</b>				
Northwest Arizona Watershed Council (also in Colorado - Lower Gila Watershed)	The area is defined by three groundwater basins: Hualapai Valley Basin and Sacramento Valley Basin in the Colorado - Grand Canyon, and the Big Sandy Basin in the Colorado - Lower Gila Watershed	Protection and preservation of water and education of the public. The council recognizes the need for more information to adequately model supply and demand equations and relate these to general plans for development. Identify and cleanup of illegal dumping and other nonpoint source pollution.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. Mohave County Public Library, 3269 N. Burbank in Kingman	Elno Roundy, Ph: 928-757-2818, Earl Englehardt, Ph: 928-692-1068, <a href="mailto:imspirit@kingmanaz.net">imspirit@kingmanaz.net</a>
<b>Little Colorado - San Juan Watershed</b>				
Little Colorado River Watershed Coordinating Council	This immense watershed covers nearly 27,000 square miles in northeast Arizona and northwest New Mexico.	Projects committees include: Municipal Projects Committee; Irrigation Committee; Stakeholder Education Committee; Watershed Health and Restoration Committee.	Quarterly meetings dates/times/locations vary (Holbrook or Winslow). For 2005: January, April, July, and October.	Ron Smith – Project Director, P.O. Box 2678, Lakeside, Arizona 85929. Ph: (928) 368-2854, <a href="mailto:rsmith@whitemtns.com">rsmith@whitemtns.com</a> . Jim Boles - Chair, Ph: 928-289-2422; Larry Winn – Vice Chair, Ph: 505-879-3060.
Show Low Creek Group	Show Low Creek drainage from Pinetop Springs and Thompson Springs to Fools Hollow Lake.	This grass roots group works to effect changes that will benefit the water quality and quantity.	Meet on an as needed basis.	Tom Thomas, Ph: 928-368-8885 <a href="mailto:tthomas@ci.pinetop-lakeside.az.us">tthomas@ci.pinetop-lakeside.az.us</a>
Silver Creek Advisory Commission	The Silver Creek drainage area, Taylor, AZ.		Meet on an as needed basis.	Ron Solomon, Ph: 928-536-7366 or <a href="mailto:ron@tayloraz.org">ron@tayloraz.org</a> ; Kerry Ballard, Ph: 928-536-2539

Upper Little Colorado River Watershed Partnership	The Little Colorado River drainage above Lyman Lake		Monthly meetings on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 6:00, Eager Town Hall – 22 W. 2nd St.	Bill Greenwood, Ph: 928-333-4128 (x226), <a href="mailto:bgreenwood@eagar.com">bgreenwood@eagar.com</a>
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**Middle Gila Watershed**

Tres Rios River Management Group. Federally sponsored by the US Army Corp of Engineers and locally sponsored by the City of Phoenix.	Watershed is the Salt River and Gila River drainage delineated by approximately Southern Ave (north) Baseline Ave (south), 83 <sup>rd</sup> Ave (east), and Agua Fria River (west).	The issues identified by this group include: A. Stressors identified (inorganic and organic chemicals, pesticides, PBCs, and low dissolved oxygen; B. Flood flows; C. Agricultural storm water runoff; D. Agricultural irrigation drainage and dewatering; E. Concentrated animal feeding operation discharges; F. Wastewater treatment plant discharges; G. Landfill leachate; H. Ground water inflow; I Sand and gravel area releases; and J. Degradation of wildlife habitat.	Quarterly meetings. 3rd Wednesday of first month. For 2005: April 20th, July 20th, October 19th. Meetings at Flood Control District offices at 2801 W. Durango in Phoenix.	Debbi Radford, City of Phoenix, Ph: 602-262-1828; <a href="mailto:debbi.radford@phoenix.gov">debbi.radford@phoenix.gov</a>
Upper Agua Fria Watershed Partnership	Aqua Fria River drainage area, excluding the Prescott AMA and the Phoenix AMA.	Water quality and water quantity issues identified by this group include: fast growth and development in the Prescott AMA; ranching/grazing issues; leaking underground storage tanks; illegal dumping along streams and in the National Monument; and water legal rights.	1st Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. meeting at Arcosanti	Mary Hoadley, Ph: 928-623-7135 <a href="mailto:earthhous@aol.com">earthhous@aol.com</a>
Southwest Strategy – Water Task Team	Pilot project on Upper Agua Fria within the Middle Gila	Federal, Tribal, State and local entities in the Southwest recognize opportunities in jointly identifying and prioritizing the growing number of common, crosscutting water resource concerns. Clear, coordinated processes are needed for effective management of water quality and water quantity that reflect broad societal desires.	Meetings details are developed and distributed to members when available	Mary Reece, Ph: 602-216-3884 <a href="mailto:mreece@lc.usbr.gov">mreece@lc.usbr.gov</a>

**Salt Watershed**

Friends of Pinto Creek	Pinto Creek drainage, which is a tributary to the Salt River, that flows into Roosevelt Lake.	Dedicated to the preservation of Pinto Creek, Powers Gulch, and Haunted Canyon.	Meet on an as needed basis.	Tom Sonandres, Ph: 623 583-6764 <a href="mailto:pintocreek@asu.edu">pintocreek@asu.edu</a>
Northern Gila County Water Planning Alliance, (a.k.a. Mogollon Highlands)	Watershed is bounded by the Mogollon Rim to the north, Roosevelt Lake to the south, Sierra Ancha Mountains to the east, and Mazatzal Mountains to the west.	The Northern Gila County Water Plan Alliance formed to develop water strategies for the area around Payson, Pine and Strawberry along the Mogollon Rim. The area also is known as the Tonto Creek basin.	Meet on an as needed basis	Steve Besich, Assistant County Manager, Gila Co., <a href="mailto:sbesich@co.gila.az.us">sbesich@co.gila.az.us</a> ; Lionel Martinez, Rim Trail Water Improvement District, Ph: 928-474-2029; Howard Matthews, Pine-Strawberry WID, Ph: 928-476-2142

San Pedro - Willcox Playa - Rio Yaqui				
Campomoch-Sacaton Watershed Group	Watershed is a 42,000 acre sub-watershed of the Willcox Playa including: Gillman Canyon, Apache Canyon, Reservoir Canyon, Sacaton Wash, an unnamed drainage (referred to as Big Draw) and Campomoch Draw. This area falls almost entirely within the ranch boundaries of Hook Open A Ranch and Redtail Ranch.	The group's primary objective is to implement conservation practices that will improve watershed health, improve water quality, and reduce downstream flood damages. Practices are specifically aimed at reducing soil erosion and water runoff, increasing ground cover, and improving wildlife habitat to reduce negative economic impacts.	Quarterly Meetings on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of second month at USDA/NRCS Conference Room 656 N. Bisbee Ave., Willcox, AZ. For 2005: Feb 15th, May 17th, August 16th, and November 15th.	Donna Matthews, Ph: 520-384-2229, ext 122, <a href="mailto:donna.matthews@az.usda.gov">donna.matthews@az.usda.gov</a> ; Dan Skinner – Chair, <a href="mailto:d.skinner@goldtechind.com">d.skinner@goldtechind.com</a>
Upper San Pedro Partnership	1,875 square mile basin from the Mexico border north to "the Narrows." The Huachuca, Mustang, Whetstone, and Rincon Mountains form the basin's western boundary and the Mule, Dragoon, Little Dragoon, and Winchester Mountains form the eastern boundary. Boundaries of Hook Open A Ranch and Redtail Ranch.	Purpose of the partnership is to coordinate and cooperate in the identification, prioritization and implementation of comprehensive policies and projects to assist in meeting water needs in the Sierra Vista Sub-watershed of the Upper San Pedro River Basin.	2nd Wednesday of the month at 10:00am. Sierra Vista Public Library (Mona Bishop Conference Room) 2950 E. Tacoma, Sierra Vista	Carol Sanger, Coordinating Manager, <a href="mailto:carolsang6@cox.net">carolsang6@cox.net</a> ; <a href="mailto:lhendrickson@co.cochise.az.us">lhendrickson@co.cochise.az.us</a> ; Bob Strain, Chair, Advisory Council, Ph: 520 459-4763, 1011 N. Coronado Dr., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635, Ph: 520-452-7087
Community Watershed Alliance (Middle San Pedro)	San Pedro River drainage area, between the Narrows near Charleston, Arizona, and its confluence with the Gila River at Winkleman, Arizona.	This grass roots group works to effect changes that will benefit the water quantity and quality.	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Benson City Library Annex – 300 S. Huachuca Benson, AZ	Mary McCool, Ph: 520-798-0229; Al Turk, Ph: 520-586-7086; Anna Landis, Ph: 520-586-7310; Peter Moran, Ph: 520-586-4456; <a href="mailto:watergroup@aol.com">watergroup@aol.com</a>

Santa Cruz - Rio Magdalena - Rio Sonoyta Watershed				
Friends of the Santa Cruz River	Watershed includes the entire Santa Cruz River; however, the group generally focuses on the stretch from the international border to the Santa Cruz County - Pima County boundary.	FOSCR is a non-profit, 501c3 volunteer group focusing on the upper Santa Cruz River in southern Arizona. Since its beginning in 1991, FOSCR's mission has been to ensure a continued flow of the river's surface waters, promote the highest river water quality achievable, and to protect and restore the riparian ecosystem and diversity of life supported by the river's waters. We accomplish this goal through education, partnerships, and advocacy, for the benefit of present and future generations.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at various locations in Tubac, AZ	Ann Phillips-President, Ph: 520-206-9900, <a href="mailto:admin@friendsofsantacruzriver.org">admin@friendsofsantacruzriver.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.friendsofsantacruzriver.org">www.friendsofsantacruzriver.org</a> ; Sherry Sass P.O. Box 4275, Tubac, AZ 85646, Ph: 520-398-9093 <a href="mailto:sushis@aol.com">sushis@aol.com</a> ;

Pima Association of Governments Watershed Planning Subcommittee	Santa Cruz River watershed, focusing on the portion within Pima County.	Subcommittee provides a forum for exchanging info among stakeholders, conducting technical review of proposals/plans, and advising decision makers on matters affecting Santa Cruz River watershed. The subcommittee coordinates with PAG's Stormwater Management Working Group and reports to a broader Environmental Planning Advisory Committee. EPAC	Meet on an as needed basis	<a href="mailto:wq@pagnet.org">wq@pagnet.org</a> ; (520) 792-1093 <a href="http://www.pagnet.org/WQ/participation.htm">http://www.pagnet.org/WQ/participation.htm</a>
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Upper Gila Watershed				
Gila Watershed Partnership	Gila River Watershed is about 6,000 square miles, extending from the New Mexico border to the Coolidge Dam (San Carlos Reservoir).	Objectives: A. Conservation of natural resources and enhancement of the environment, while maintaining or improving the economy; B. Increase water quality and improve water quantity; C. Increase recreational opportunities; D. Collaboration among partners and neighbors in New Mexico and the San Carlos Apache Tribe within the watershed.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Graham County General Services Building at 921 Thatcher Blvd. in Safford.	Jan Holder, Ph: 928-348-4577 <a href="mailto:watershedholder@yahoo.com">watershedholder@yahoo.com</a>
Upper Eagle Creek Watershed Association	Eagle Creek is a sub-watershed within the Upper Gila Watershed.	Work together as a community to: 1) preserve the ranching heritage and traditions in Upper Eagle Creek; 2) improve and preserve the watershed and valuable resources; 3) protect, enhance and increase habitat and wildlife and domestic animals; 4) and to find a sustainable method of economic survival for the community.	2nd Friday of each month at the Eagle Creek Schoolhouse	Chase Caldwell, Ph: 480-635-1245, 480-529-2624, Fax: 480-632-1171, <a href="mailto:Chase.Caldwell@cox.net">Chase.Caldwell@cox.net</a>

Verde Watershed				
North Central Arizona Regional Watershed Consortium (NCARWC)	Verde River Watershed, largely defined by Yavapai County boundaries.	Formed to accomplish cooperative regional water management, rather than continue contesting each other's water rights. Believe that a unified and knowledgeable voter base in rural Arizona may be able to effect the needed changes in Arizona water laws and statutes.	Meeting times and places vary.	President: Anita Rochelle, <a href="mailto:anitar772002@yahoo.com">anitar772002@yahoo.com</a> or <a href="mailto:riverwoman@verdenet.com">riverwoman@verdenet.com</a> ; Bill Goss, P.O. Box 31, Sedona, AZ 86339

Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee	Yavapai County	<p><b>Mission Statement:</b> The Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee is committed to preserving sustainable water resources for future generations while enhancing the economic viability of our County. We are dedicated to meeting the long-term water resource needs of our customers - the citizens of the Yavapai County region. We will accomplish our goals by developing and enacting a total water management strategy through a consensus of our coalition members. <b>Objectives:</b> Develop regional Yavapai County water management and conservation strategies that ensure sustained use of water resources and that protect the base flows of the County's rivers and streams. Establish strong communication links among federal, tribal, state, county, local government, individual citizens and all other stakeholders. Devise and promote enabling legislation that will provide a local basis for management of water resources.</p>	The Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the Month from 2:00-4:00 PM. The meeting locations change each month to a different host-community. The meeting locations and agendas are posted on the WAC website approximately 1 week in advance of the meeting.	<a href="mailto:john.rassumussen@co.yavapai.az.us">john.rassumussen@co.yavapai.az.us</a> <a href="http://www.co.yavapai.az.us/orggroups/wac/wachome.asp">http://www.co.yavapai.az.us/orggroups/wac/wachome.asp</a>
Oak Creek Canyon Task Force	Oak Creek is a sub-watershed of the Verde River.	Task Force goals: <b>A.</b> Conserve natural resources and enhance the environment for wildlife and human uses; <b>B.</b> Sustain and improve recreational opportunities; <b>C.</b> Improve water quantity and quality; <b>D.</b> Reduce damage due to storms, floods, human activities, or natural disasters; <b>E</b> Engage public and governmental involvement through outreach and education.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday or Friday of <i>second</i> month from 9:30am to 12:00pm. For 2005: February 11th, April 15th, June 9th, August 12th, October 14th, December 8th. Sedona City Hall, Vultee Room, 102 Roadrunner Dr.	Barry Allen, Ph: 623-551-8804, <a href="mailto:nelsenallan@earthlink.net">nelsenallan@earthlink.net</a> Morgan Stine - <a href="mailto:morgan@hughes.net">morgan@hughes.net</a> OAK CREEK CANYON TASK FORCE, P.O. Box 732, Sedona, AZ 86339 Canyon Office, Ph: 928-282-3151, Fax: 623-551-8804. Anthem Office, Ph: 623-551-8805
Stoneman Lake Property Owners Association	This closed basin (no outflow from the lake) is a 900 acre lake drainage area, located 40 miles south of Flagstaff.	Mission is to preserve the pristine environment that is Stoneman lake and to foster harmony and cooperation among neighbors to maintain the peace and tranquility so highly valued in our community.	Meeting times and places may vary.	Chris Estes, President, Ph: 480-585-5772 <a href="mailto:cklestes@msn.com">cklestes@msn.com</a> ; Bill McPeters, Vice President, Ph: 602-431-1513 <a href="mailto:wedigit@juno.com">wedigit@juno.com</a>

Verde Watershed Association	Verde Watershed	Mission: The Verde Watershed Association is founded on the principle that wise and sustainable use of water resources is best accomplished by a voluntary association of members of the watershed communities, working together to understand both the watershed and each other. Such understanding will be the basis for resolving conflicts and promoting cooperative use of the water resources. <b>Goals:</b> <b>A.</b> Conserve natural resources and enhance the environment; <b>B.</b> Sustain, improve, and diversify recreational opportunities; <b>C.</b> Improve water quality and quantity; <b>D.</b> Sustain, enhance, and improve the environment for wildlife; <b>E.</b> Reduce damage from storms, floods, and human-made activities and/or natural disasters; <b>F.</b> Engage public and governmental involvement through public outreach and education.	Meets every month, third Wednesday, 10 AM, Sedona City Hall, 102 Roadrunner Dr., Vulture Conference Room, And in various Verde Watershed Communities (Sedona, Prescott, Cottonwood, Camp Verde).	Loyd Barnett, President, 225 Kaibab Way, Sedona, AZ 86351. Ph: 928-284-0161, <a href="mailto:lbarnettaz@npgcable.com">lbarnettaz@npgcable.com</a> or <a href="mailto:verdewatershed@yahoo.com">verdewatershed@yahoo.com</a> or <a href="http://vwa.southwest-water.org">http://vwa.southwest-water.org</a>
Citizens Water Advocacy Group	Upper Verde Watershed and Prescott Active Management Area	Primary objective: To promote a sustainable water future in the Upper Verde River Basin and Prescott Active Management Area.	Second Saturday of every month at 10 a.m. at the Granite Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 882 Sunset Ave, Prescott, AZ 86305	Citizens Water Advocacy Group, P.O. Box 13145, Prescott, AZ 86304. Ph: 928-443-5353, <a href="mailto:water@commspeed.net">water@commspeed.net</a>
Verde River Citizens Alliance	Verde River drainage area	Mission: This non-profit corporation is formed for philanthropic, charitable, educational and scientific purpose, with its main objectives being to assure an adequate flow of water in all sections of the Verde River at all times. Preservation and restoration of the riparian habitat that borders the Verde River and its tributaries.	Meets monthly, generally third Saturday, 10 a.m., at the Dead Horse Ranch, Greenway Studio, 2011-B Kestrel Rd. Cottonwood, AZ 86326	Bill Goss – President, P.O. Box 3096, Cottonwood, AZ 86326. Ph: 928-649-2422. <a href="mailto:vrca@verdenet.com">vrca@verdenet.com</a> <a href="mailto:billgoss@cablone.net">billgoss@cablone.net</a> <a href="http://www.verderivervrca.org">www.verderivervrca.org</a>
Prescott Creeks Preservation Association (Prescott Creeks)	Granite Creek Watershed	The mission of Prescott Creeks is to protect and celebrate the ecological integrity of the Granite Creek Watershed riparian systems and associated wetlands through conservation, restoration and education. This is accomplished through programs that include: Watson Woods Riparian Preserve, Prescott CreekWatch Network and Watershed Monitoring.	Meeting dates and times vary-call first. Typically 1st Tuesday of month 2-4 p.m. 119-A Grove Ave., Prescott, AZ 86301	Prescott Creeks, PO Box 3004, Prescott, AZ 86302-3004. Ph: 928-445-5669, Fax 928-445-5671; <a href="mailto:info@PrescottCreeks.org">info@PrescottCreeks.org</a> ; <a href="mailto:mbyrd@prescottcreeks.org">mbyrd@prescottcreeks.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.PrescottCreeks.org">www.PrescottCreeks.org</a>

Stewards of Public Lands	Upper Verde Valley (Verde Watershed--upper portion of the Middle Verde Sub-basin)	Area citizen volunteers partner with businesses, municipalities, State Trust Lands Dept., and the Prescott and Coconino National Forests to clean illegal dumping off public lands, and to keep our watershed and streams healthy.	First Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Cottonwood Public Safety Building, 199 S 6th Street, Cottonwood, AZ 86326. Cleanups generally the second Saturday of the month, 8 a.m. to noon	Diane Jones, 312 W Mesquite Dr., Cottonwood, AZ 86326 Ph: 928-634-4112 <a href="mailto:dianej@sedona.net">dianej@sedona.net</a> ; <a href="http://www.verdeconnections.com">www.verdeconnections.com</a>
Hyde Mountain Vista Group	Upper Walnut Creek, Apache Creek, drainages of the Juniper Mountains and the Santa Maria Mountains northwest of Prescott. The Walnut Creek stream reaches between Apache Creek and Juniper Mesa Wilderness	Maintain the diversity, ecological integrity, historic value and undeveloped nature of the public and private lands in and around the Santa Maria and Juniper Mountains, while maintaining the economic viability of the working landscape and the variety of recreational opportunities that are found there. Restoration of Upper Walnut Creek drainages, tributaries to Big Chino Wash and Verde River.	Meet on an as needed basis	Susan Brook, Admin Assistant Hyde Mountain Vista Group 2151 C Resort Way North Prescott, AZ 86301 Ph: 928-541-7538 <a href="mailto:hydemountainvista@yahoo.com">hydemountainvista@yahoo.com</a>